

Thurston County
Youth & Tobacco Data Summary
8TH GRADE
Year 2000

		County %	State %
8th Grade Students Surveyed		100.0 %	100.0 %
Gender			
Female		52.0 %	51.9 %
Male		48.0 %	48.1 %
Race/Ethnicity			
Students of Color		25.7 %	28.7 %
White		74.3 %	71.3 %
		County %+/- Margin of Error	State %+/- Margin of Error
Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigarettes at least once			
Female	n= 1061	14.4 %+/- 2.1	14.5 %+/- 1.7
Male	n= 975	12.9 %+/- 2.1	10.3 %+/- 1.5
Total	n= 2036	13.6 %+/- 1.5	12.5 %+/- 1.1
Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigars at least once			
Female	n= 1060	2.2 %+/- 0.9	3.0 %+/- 0.8
Male	n= 970	5.3 %+/- 1.4	5.4 %+/- 1.1
Total	n= 2030	3.5 %+/- 0.8	4.3 %+/- 0.7
Past 30 days, youth who have smoked tobacco in a pipe at least once			
Female	n= 1058	1.6 %+/- 0.8	1.7 %+/- 0.6
Male	n= 970	3.3 %+/- 1.1	2.4 %+/- 0.8
Total	n= 2028	2.3 %+/- 0.6	2.1 %+/- 0.5
Past 30 days, youth who have smoked bidis (flavored cigarettes) at least once			
Female	n= 1053	3.5 %+/- 1.1	3.4 %+/- 0.8
Male	n= 968	3.1 %+/- 1.1	3.1 %+/- 0.9
Total	n= 2021	3.3 %+/- 0.8	3.3 %+/- 0.6
Past 30 days, youth who have used smokeless tobacco (chewing tobacco, snuff or dip) at least once			
Female	n= 1036	1.3 %+/- 0.7	1.4 %+/- 0.6
Male	n= 958	3.0 %+/- 1.1	2.6 %+/- 0.8
Total	n= 1994	2.2 %+/- 0.6	2.1 %+/- 0.5
Past 30 days, youth who have used any tobacco product at least once			
Female	n= 1035	15.6 %+/- 2.2	15.5 %+/- 1.7
Male	n= 955	16.2 %+/- 2.3	14.0 %+/- 1.7
Total	n= 1990	15.8 %+/- 1.6	14.9 %+/- 1.2

Source: Washington State Department of Health
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n = number of survey respondents for county.
* = Rate not calculated because number of responses was less than 15.

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About how many cigarettes have you smoked in your entire life?	n= 2025	
None	64.4 %+/- 2.1	64.9 %+/- 1.6
1/2 pack or less	20.4 %+/- 1.8	22.2 %+/- 1.4
1 - 4 packs	6.1 %+/- 1.0	6.3 %+/- 0.9
5 or more packs	9.0 %+/- 1.2	6.6 %+/- 0.8
Do you want to stop using tobacco right now? (among current tobacco users)	n= 375	
Yes	59.5 %+/- 5.0	59.3 %+/- 4.1
Have you ever participated in a program to help you quit using tobacco? (among current tobacco users)	n= 380	
Yes	4.7 %+/- 2.1	7.2 %+/- 2.0
During past 12 months, did you ever try to quit using tobacco? (cigarettes, cigars, or chew/dip)(among current tobacco users)	n= 229	
Yes	55.5 %+/- 6.4	61.2 %+/- 5.2
Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at any time during the next year?	n= 2097	
Definitely no	60.6 %+/- 2.1	60.8 %+/- 1.7
If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?	n= 2092	
Definitely no	62.5 %+/- 2.1	64.0 %+/- 1.6
Susceptibility Index (combination of the previous two questions, either of which receives any answer other than 'Definitely no')	n= 2101	
Susceptible	44.1 %+/- 2.1	43.5 %+/- 1.7
If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it? (from among youth who did not smoke in last 30 days)	n= 1802	
Definitely no	71.5 %+/- 2.1	72.1 %+/- 1.6
Do you think the smoke from other people's cigarettes (second-hand smoke) is harmful to you?	n= 2097	
Definitely yes or Probably yes	89.3 %+/- 1.3	89.0 %+/- 1.0
Do you think it is safe to smoke for only a year or two, as long as you quit after that?	n= 2093	
Definitely no	66.1 %+/- 2.0	69.5 %+/- 1.6

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Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it such as a lighter, t-shirt, hat, or sunglasses?	n= 2087	
Definitely no	43.3 %+/- 2.1	45.5 %+/- 1.7
During last 12 months, did you buy or receive anything that has a tobacco name or picture on it?	n= 2083	
Yes	17.0 %+/- 1.6	16.2 %+/- 1.2
During past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?	n= 598	
3 or more days	30.9 %+/- 3.7	29.7 %+/- 3.1
During past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?	n= 597	
3 or more days	26.5 %+/- 3.5	24.3 %+/- 2.9
During this school year, did you practice ways to say 'NO' to tobacco in any of your classes (for example, by role playing)?	n= 2088	
Yes	51.3 %+/- 2.1	48.6 %+/- 1.7
During past 30 days, have you seen or heard commercials on TV, the Internet, or on the radio about the dangers of cigarette smoking?	n= 2084	
More than once a week	81.0 %+/- 1.7	77.1 %+/- 1.5
How wrong would most adults in your neighborhood think it was for kids your age to smoke cigarettes?	n= 2087	
Very wrong	54.8 %+/- 2.1	57.6 %+/- 1.7
If you wanted to get some tobacco, how easy would it be for you to get some?	n= 2068	
Very hard or Sort of hard	50.1 %+/- 2.2	52.2 %+/- 1.7
Has either of your parents (or guardians) discussed the dangers of tobacco use with you?	n= 2091	
Yes	72.6 %+/- 1.9	71.2 %+/- 1.5
Does anyone who lives with you now smoke cigarettes?	n= 600	
Yes	44.5 %+/- 4.0	38.7 %+/- 3.3